AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the present application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (**Currently Amended**) An oral medicine composition preventing an unpleasant taste, said medicine composition comprising:

a mixture of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste and

an acidic polysaccharide;

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva, and said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

2. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to Claim 1, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof.

3-5. (**Canceled**)

6. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to Claim 1, wherein the medicine composition comprises said acidic polysaccharide in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste.

7. (**Original**) The composition according to Claim 1 wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine, a liquid medicine, a syrup medicine or a jelly medicine.

8. (**Currently Amended**) A method for preventing an unpleasant taste, said method comprising:

blending an acidic polysaccharide with a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste,

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva, and said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

9. (**Previously Presented**) The method according to claim 8, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof.

10-12. (**Canceled**)

13. (**Previously Presented**) The method according to claim 8, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is contained in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste.

14. (**Previously Presented**) The method according to claim 8 wherein the medicine is granules, fine granules, powders, liquids, syrups or jellies.

15. (**Currently Amended**) An oral medicine composition preventing an unpleasant taste which comprises a homogenous blend of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste and an acidic polysaccharide, wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva, wherein said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

16. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to claim 15, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof.

17-19. (**Canceled**)

20. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to claim 15, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is contained in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste.

21. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to claim 15 wherein the medicine is granules, fine granules, powders, liquids, syrups or jellies.

22. (**Currently Amended**) An oral medicine preventing an unpleasant taste which comprises a mixture of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste and an acidic polysaccharide,

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva;

said acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof;

said acidic polysaccharide is in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste, and

said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

23-24. (**Canceled**)

25. (**Currently Amended**) A method for preventing an unpleasant taste which comprises the step of blending an acidic polysaccharide with a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste,

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva;

said acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof;

said acidic polysaccharide is in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste, and

said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

26-27. (**Canceled**)

28. (**Currently Amended**) An oral medicine preventing an unpleasant taste which comprises a mixture of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste and an acidic polysaccharide;

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva,

said acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof, ~~and~~

said acidic polysaccharide is in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having an unpleasant taste, and

said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

29. (**Currently Amended**) An oral medicinal preparation consisting essentially of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste, a filler and an acidic polysaccharide;

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva,

said acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof, ~~and~~

said acidic polysaccharide is in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste, and

said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

30. (**Currently Amended**) An oral medicinal preparation consisting of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste, a filler and an acidic polysaccharide;

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva;

said acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof, ~~and~~

said acidic polysaccharide is in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste, and

said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

31-32. (**Canceled**)

33. (**Currently Amended**) The oral medicinal preparation according to Claim ~~29,~~ 22, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of ι-carrageenan, κ-carrageenan, λ-carrageenan, dextran sulfate and a salt thereof.

34. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to Claim 1, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of ι-carrageenan, κ-carrageenan, λ-carrageenan, dextran sulfate and a salt thereof.

35. (**Currently Amended**) The oral medicinal preparation according to Claim ~~29,~~ 22, wherein ~~the basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride and~~ said acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

36. (**Currently Amended**) The medicine composition according to Claim 1, wherein ~~the basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride and~~ said acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

37. (**Currently Amended**) The medicine composition according to Claim 1,

wherein ~~said basic medicine is selected from the group consisting of ticlopidine hydrochloride, maprotiline hydrochloride, ifenprodil tartrate, berberine hydrochloride, digitoxin, sulpyrin, azelastine hydrochloride, etilefrin hydrochloride, diltiazem hydrochloride, propranolol hydrochloride, chloramphenicol, aminophylline, erythromycin, phenobarbital, calcium~~

~~pantothenic acid, indeloxazine hydrochloride, aminoguanidine hydrochloride, donepezil hydrochloride and cefcapene pivoxil hydrochloride; and~~

~~said~~ acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof.

38-39. (**Canceled**)

40. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicine composition according to claim 37, wherein the composition has 0.5 to 10 parts by weight of the acidic polysaccharide with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic substance having the unpleasant taste.

41. (**Currently Amended**) A method for manufacturing an oral medicine composition comprising a mixture of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste and an acidic polysaccharide, said method comprising:

blending said acidic polysaccharide with said basic medicine <u>of donepezil hydrochloride</u> to obtain said oral medicine composition;

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva.

42. (**Previously Presented**) The method of claim 41, wherein said acidic polysaccharide is in an amount of 0.1 to 20 parts by weight with respect to 1 part by weight of the basic medicine; and

said acidic polysaccharide is at least one selected from the group consisting of carrageenan, chondroitin sulfate, dextran sulfate, alginic acid, gerun gum, and salts thereof.

43. (**Currently Amended**) An oral medicine composition preventing an unpleasant taste, said medicine composition comprising:

a mixture consisting essentially of a basic medicine having an unpleasant taste and an acidic polysaccharide;

wherein said basic medicine and acidic polysaccharide are in intimate contact in order to form an electric interaction and to prevent the basic medicine from dissolving in saliva, and

said basic medicine is donepezil hydrochloride.

44. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to Claim 1, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

45. (**Previously Presented**) The method according to Claim 8, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

46. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to Claim 15, wherein the medicine is the form of granules, fine granules, a powder or a tablet.

47. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicine according to Claim 22, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

48. (**Previously Presented**) The method according to claim 25, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

49. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicine according to Claim 28, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

50. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicinal preparation of Claim 29, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

51. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicinal preparation of Claim 30, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

52. (**Previously Presented**) The method of claim 41, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

53. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicine composition of claim 43, wherein the medicine is a granule medicine, a fine granule medicine, a powder medicine or in the form of a tablet.

54. (**Canceled**)

55. (**Previously Presented**) The method according to Claim 8, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

56. (**Previously Presented**) The medicine composition according to Claim 15, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

57. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicine according to Claim 22, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

58. (**Previously Presented**) The method according to claim 25, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

59. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicine according to Claim 28, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

60. (**Canceled**)

61. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicinal preparation of Claim 30, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

62. (**Previously Presented**) The method of claim 41, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.

63. (**Previously Presented**) The oral medicine composition of claim 43, wherein the acidic polysaccharide is carrageenan.